REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of August 21, 2006

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF)

On August 19, 2006 Homer Hostetter was arrested in Alexandria, VA by members of CARFTF. Authorities in Spotsylvania County (VA) wanted Hostetter, a previously convicted felon, for multiple offenses, including Attempted Murder and Assault & Battery of Family Member with a Gun. Hostetter allegedly shot his estranged wife in the chest and arm at close range. Spotsylvania County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) requested assistance from CARFTF in locating and apprehending Hostetter. SCSO believed that Hostetter used a series of rural Virginia campgrounds to evade capture. CARFTF, with critical assistance from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), developed information that Hostetter fled to his girlfriend's residence in Alexandria. CARFTF responded to the target location, observed Hostetter, and safely took him into custody.



Homer Hostetter Wanted for: Attempted Murder / Assault & Battery

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF)

On August 18, 2006 Bubacarr Conteh was arrested in at a barbershop in Stone Mountain, GA by members of SERFTF. The Gwinnett County (GA) Sheriff's Office wanted Conteh for Armed Robbery, Possession of a Weapon During the Commission of a Felony, and Possession of a Weapon by a Convicted Felon. SERFTF developed information on Conteh's location in Stone Mountain and immediately responded to that site. SERFTF investigators made entry through the rear of the barbershop and safely took Conteh into custody as he attempted to flee through the front of the business.



Bubacarr Conteh Wanted for: Armed Robbery

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF)

On August 16, 2006 Carlos Avile, a documented member of the Spanish Cobras gang, and a non-registered sex offender, was arrested in Chicago, IL by members of GLRFTF. Authorities wanted Avile for Criminal Sexual Assault of a Non-Family Member Under Thirteen for allegedly sexually assaulting a five year old girl in August 2005. This attack allegedly took place after Avile returned to the Chicago area after serving a six year prison term in California for Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault of a Minor. GLRFTF investigators developed information indicating that Avile fled to the north side of Chicago, assumed a false identity, and began working as a technician for a local telephone Investigators responded to Avile's suspected location, company. encountered him at the front door of the target residence, and safely took him into custody. Avile has a criminal history of arrests and convictions for Aggravated Criminal Sexual Assault, Aggravated Stalking of a Child, and Theft.

Spanish Cobras
Gang Member



Carlos Avile
Wanted for:
Criminal Sexual Assault

Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force (GCRFTF)

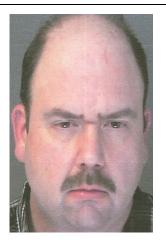
On August 22, 2006 Johnny O'Bryant was arrested in Ruston, LA by deputy US marshals (DUSMs) from the Western District of Louisiana who acted on information provided by GCRFTF. Authorities in Gulfport, MS wanted O'Bryant for Capital Murder and Aggravated Assault for allegedly beating two individuals with a blunt object, killing one. After identifying O'Bryant as the suspected killer, Gulfport PD immediately requested assistance from GCRFTF, which developed information indicating O'Bryant fled to Louisiana. GCRFTF investigators later learned that O'Bryant frequently moved between rehabilitation clinics, and eventually pinpointed his location at a clinic in Ruston. GCRFTF forwarded a collateral lead to DUSMs in the Western District of Louisiana, who responded to that site and safely took O'Bryant into custody. O'Bryant currently awaits further extradition proceedings.



Johnny O'Bryant Wanted for: Capital Murder & Aggravated Assault

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF)

On August 23, 2006 Wade Booth was arrested in Wading River, NY by members of NY/NJ RFTF and officers from the Riverhead Town, NY PD and the Suffolk County (NY) PD-Emergency Services Unit (SPD-ESU). The Suffolk County Department of Probation wanted Booth for Violation of Probation, Attempted Assault, and Resisting Arrest for allegedly attempting to assault SPD officers who arrived at his residence to serve an arrest warrant on May 04, 2004. Authorities considered Booth, who has a history of mental illness, violent and dangerous. NY/NJ RFTF investigators developed information on Booth's location, responded to that site, and established a perimeter. Investigators observed movement, and later made entry into the target residence. As personnel entered the home, Booth fired one round from a handgun, which exited a window near the door. Flying glass from that round caused minor injuries to an investigator. NY/NJ RFTF reestablished the perimeter, and following an eleven hour standoff, SPD-ESU made entry, discovered Booth in a closet in possession of a loaded handgun, and safely took him into custody. Authorities filed additional charges of Attempted Murder and Criminal Use of a Firearm against Booth.



Wade Booth
Wanted for:
Attempted Murder,
Resisting Arrest, &
Attempted Assault

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSWRFTF)

On August 22, 2006 Jose Ines Gallardo-Rodriguez was arrested in Los Angeles, CA by members of PSWRFTF, the Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) Fugitive Operations Team, and officers / agents from the California Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation, the Los Angeles County (CA) District Attorney's Office, the Los Angeles PD, and the Ontario, CA PD. Authorities in Sinaloa, Mexico wanted Gallardo-Rodriguez for a May 2005 incident which left five dead, and two critically wounded. Gallardo-Rodriguez, one of five individuals sought by authorities in connection with this incident, was the last remaining fugitive of the group. Gallardo-Rodriguez, a former law enforcement officer, and his accomplices allegedly served as enforcers for the leader of a Sinaloa-based drug cartel. This leader allegedly paid Gallardo-Rodriguez and his associates \$8,000 in US currency to murder the seven victims, who the leader believed provided information to Mexican anti-drug officials. Gallardo-Rodriguez, the leader, and the other accomplices allegedly kidnapped the victims, tortured them, and then shot and killed five of them, one of whom was several months pregnant. The two survivors helped identify Gallardo-Rodriguez and the other shooters. Investigators identified Gallardo-Rodriguez's location in Los Angeles, responded to that site, and safely took him into custody for violating the immigration laws of the US. On August 25, 2006 ICE repatriated Gallardo-Rodriguez to Mexico via the San Ysidro, CA Port of Entry.



Jose Ines
Gallardo-Rodriguez
Wanted for:
Murder &
Attempted Murder